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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region III
Attn: Mr. Peter Knight (BTAG)
Federal Facilities Branch
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Re: Naval Air Station (NAS) Oceana Remediation Program

Dear Mr. Knight,

To assist you in the review of *Draft-Final Report for the Phase III RCRA Facility Investigation, NAS Oceana, Virginia Beach, Virginia*, I am providing the information requested during our April 29, 1999 conference call. The *RCRA Facility Investigation Final Phase I Report* (CH2M-HILL, December 1993), the *RCRA Facility Investigation Draft Final Phase II Report* (CH2M-HILL, February 1995), the *Final Corrective Measures Study for Petroleum Contaminated Sites* (POL CMS) (CH2M-HILL, October 1994), and the *Excavation, Transportation and Disposal of Petroleum Contaminated Soils* report (ENSCI Environmental Inc., April 1995) are provided as Enclosures (1) through (4) respectively.

During the review of these documents, data gaps were identified for additional investigation at several sites. The Phase III RCRA Facility Investigation (RFI) sought to fulfil the identified data gaps, confirm previous RFI analytical data, verify that the post removal action contaminant levels are below the cleanup goals set for several of the POL CMS sites, and facilitate the development and implementation of proposed remedial activities. In Enclosure (5), I have included the correspondence between the Navy and EPA's RCRA Operations Branch regarding the enclosed reports, and the meeting minutes and correspondence regarding the development of the Phase III RFI investigation workplan. The items contained in Enclosure (5) are arranged chronologically to show that the Phase III RFI workplan was derived from the review comments and meetings, and that the field effort to meet the objectives for this additional investigation were mutually agreed upon by the Navy, the VADEQ, the EPA, and the EPA's oversight contractor, the

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Army Corps of Engineers. In addition, Enclosure (5) contains the EPA's initial comments on the Draft-Final Phase III RFI report, the Navy's response to these comments, and the Navy's request for the BTAG to review the Draft-Final Phase III RFI report.

I look forward to the upcoming NAS Oceana site visit and work in progress meeting on May 20, 1999. During the meeting, the Navy will present the objectives and results of the recent fieldwork events, and discuss your draft comments on the Draft-Final Phase III RFI report. If you require additional information, please contact me at (757) 322-4758.

Sincerely,

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ENCLOSURE (1) - NAS Oceana Previous Investigation Documentation

Item	Date	From	To	Subject	Comments
1	March 5, 1999	Tim Reisch, Navy	Simeon Hahn	Draft-Final Report for the Phase III RCRA Facility Investigation, NAS Oceana, Virginia Beach, Virginia	Transmittal letter
2	March 5, 1999	Tim Reisch, Navy	John McCloskey, USFWS	Draft-Final Report for the Phase III RCRA Facility Investigation, NAS Oceana, Virginia Beach, Virginia	Transmittal letter
3	March 5, 1999	Tim Reisch, Navy	Rob Thomson, EPA	Response to comments on the Draft-Final Report for the Phase III RCRA Facility Investigation, NAS Oceana, Virginia Beach, Virginia	
4	February 9, 1999	Rob Thomson, EPA	Tim Reisch, Navy	Review of the Navy's Draft Phase III RFI	
5	July 20, 1998	Jack Robinson, CH2MHILL	Jim Harris, Navy	Draft-Final Report for the Phase III RCRA Facility Investigation, NAS Oceana	Transmittal letter
6	December 22, 1997	Jack Robinson, CH2MHILL	Jim Harris, Navy	Revised Final Addendums to the 1992 Oceana RFI project plans for the Phase III RFI	Transmittal letter
7	December 22, 1997	Jack Robinson, CH2MHILL	Jim Harris, Navy Will Bullard, NASO Linda Holden, EPA Jack Hwang, EPA Betty Ann Quinn, EPA Russ McAvoy, VADEQ Michael Klausmeier, ACE Cheryl Fromme, ACE	Meeting Minutes (November 20, 1997), NAS Oceana	
8	November 14, 1997	Jack Robinson, CH2MHILL	Jim Harris, Navy	Response to EPA's Response to Comments on the RCRA Facility Investigation Final Phase I Report (December 1993), the RCRA Facility Investigation Draft Final Phase II Report (February 1995), the Final Corrective Measures Study for Petroleum Contaminated Sites (October 1994), and the Excavation, Transportation, and Disposal of Petroleum-Contaminated Soils Report (April 1995) for the Naval Air Station Oceana; and Response to comments on the Draft Phase III Work Plan (July 1997).	
9	September 30, 1997	Linda Holden, EPA	Jim Harris, Navy	Additional Comments on the Amended Project Plans Sampling for the Phase III RCRA Facility Investigation RCRA Facility Investigation (RFI) for the Naval Air Station Oceana, Virginia Beach (July 1997)	

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10	September 30, 1997	Linda Holden, EPA	Jim Harris, Navy	Comments on the Department of the Navy's Response to Comments on the RCRA Facility Investigation Final Phase I Report (December 1993), the RCRA Facility Investigation Draft Final Phase II Report (February 1995), the Final Corrective Measures Study for Petroleum Contaminated Sites (October 1994), and the Excavation, Transportation, and Disposal of Petroleum-Contaminated Soils Report (April 1995) for the Naval Air Station Oceana	
11	September 26, 1997	Linda Holden, EPA	Jim Harris, Navy	Comments on the Amended Project Plans Sampling for the Phase III RCRA Facility Investigation RCRA Facility Investigation (RFI) for the Naval Air Station Oceana, Virginia Beach (July 1997)	
12	August 29, 1997	Nina Johnson, Navy	Linda Holden, EPA	Response to Comments on the RCRA Facility Investigation Final Phase I Report (December 1993), the RCRA Facility Investigation Draft Final Phase II Report (February 1995), the Final Corrective Measures Study for Petroleum Contaminated Sites (October 1994), and the Excavation, Transportation, and Disposal of Petroleum-Contaminated Soils Report (April 1995) for the Naval Air Station Oceana	
13	July 21, 1997	Jack Robinson, CH2MHILL	Jim Harris, Navy	Addendums to the 1992 Oceana RFI project plans for the Phase III RFI soil, sediment, and groundwater sampling at NAS Oceana	Transmittal letter
14	May 16, 1997	Linda Holden, EPA	Jim Harris, Navy	Review and Additional Comments on the RCRA Facility Investigation Final Phase I Report (December 1993), the RCRA Facility Investigation Draft Final Phase II Report (February 1995), the Final Corrective Measures Study for Petroleum Contaminated Sites (October 1994), and the Excavation, Transportation, and Disposal of Petroleum-Contaminated Soils Report (April 1995) for the Naval Air Station Oceana	
15	May 22, 1997 (April 29-30 mtg)	Steve Brown, CH2MHILL	Jim Harris, Navy	Minutes of April 29-30 meeting to Discuss EPA Comment on Past Oceana Documents	Transmittal of meeting minutes